TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1085 - SB 1760

March 24, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires students enrolling for the first time in a public school in Tennessee to submit their social security numbers or a visa issued by the United States. If these items are not available, the student may submit their birth certificate. If all three of the items are not available, the student shall indicate in writing the documents' unavailability. Within 14 days after a student transfers, the principal of the school or the principal's designee shall request this documentation from the school where the student transferred from. Documentation for all students shall be kept by the school. Requires each school in their annual report to the Department of Education (DOE) to provide the aggregate number of students for whom a social security number, visa, birth certificate was provided and the number who did not submit this documentation. This information shall be included in the Commissioner of Education's annual report and be sent to the Education Committees and Finance, Ways and Means Committees of the General Assembly in addition to the other normal recipients of the report.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Local education agencies will collect this information, place it into each student's permanent record, and send it to the Department of Education annually. Any increase in local expenditures to collect and transmit this information to the Department of Education will be not significant.
- The DOE will include this information in the annual report and make needed modifications to the DOE data system without additional staff or reducing other budgetary expenditures. Any increase in state expenditures will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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